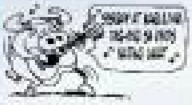
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Pedro's sacrifice told in rap song

By Erika Sauler

THE LIFE of a saint in a rap song.

At the Sto. Niño de Tondo Parish in Manila, the radio broadcast of yesterday's canonization of Pedro Calungsod at the Vatican was preceded by a rap performance telling the life and martyrdom of the new saint.

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SPECIAL MASS Pope Benedict XVI presides over the canonization Mass. AP

'May his courage inspire Filipinos'

PH pilgrims join festive gathering at Vatican

By Connie E. Fernandez
Chief, Inquirer Visayas
and Josephine Darang in *Rome*

THE WEATHER was chilly but the Filipino pilgrims were already waiting outside the gates of St. Peter's Square as early as 4 a.m. yesterday.

The gates were finally opened at 8 a.m. (2 p.m. in Manila), or about four hours later, but no one was heard complaining. Instead, the atmosphere was happy and festive.

"The Filipinos were greeting each other. It was also a reunion of sorts because we met some friends whom we have not seen for a while," Fr. Mhar Balili, chair of the liturgical committee for the canonization of Blessed Pedro Calungsod in Rome, said in a long-distance interview with the Inquirer.

"It was festive. The pilgrims were excited. They didn't mind the cold. Some may not have had breakfast yet because they were here as early as 4 a.m.," said Balili, a priest from Cebu who is in Rome studying to be a licentiate in liturgy.

Santiago "Sonny" Academia, who was part of the Filipino delegation,

PH PILGRIMS / A4

Church bells ring out in martyr's town

By Cris Evert Lato, Carine M. Asutilla and Charisse Ursal
Inquirer Visayas

GINATILAN, Cebu—Even before sunrise, the sleepy town of Ginatilan was already buzzing with activities.

The bells of St. Gregory the Great Parish Church pealed at 4 a.m. to wake up residents and remind them of the historic day ahead: the canonization of Blessed Pedro Calungsod whom they believe came from this coastal town, 138 kilometers southwest of Cebu City.

Buntings and colorful pennants decorated the town, where festivities began with a fluvial parade that started from a small port about 500 meters from the church.

Across the country, church bells rang as millions attended special Masses to

CHURCH / A12



NEW SAINTS The Pope (bottom, right) announces the sainthood of Pedro Calungsod and six other Catholic martyrs in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican in a Mass marking the start of a "Year of Faith" aimed at countering the rising tide of secularism in the West. AP

Pope hails sainthood of Pedro Calungsod

VATICAN CITY—The Philippines got its second saint yesterday with Pope Benedict XVI canonizing the 17th-century teen missionary Pedro Calungsod along with six other martyrs of the Catholic Church in a solemn ceremony at St. Peter's Square in Rome.

A sizeable crowd of flag-waving Filipinos, expatriates in Italy who turned out in droves for the ceremony, and a delegation of 5,000 from home, cheered as the Pope declared Calungsod a saint and worthy of veneration by the entire Catholic Church.

"May the example and courageous witness of Pedro Calungsod inspire the dear people of the Philippines to announce the kingdom bravely and to win souls for God," Pope Benedict XVI said in his homily.

About 80,000 pilgrims from different parts of the world filled St. Peter's Square for the canonization rites, which started with the head of the Vatican's saint-making office reading aloud each of the names of the seven new saints in Latin, drawing cheers from the crowd.

"We feel very happy and proud," said Mariana Diesta, a 39-year-old housekeeper in Italy who joined fellow Filipinos in St. Peter's Square for the canonization rites and Mass.

"We are especially proud because he was so young," Diesta said.

The Philippines waited 32 years to get a second Filipino saint. The coun-

MAY HIS COURAGE / A11

Images of Filipino saints on same altar

By Tonette Orejas
Inquirer Central Luzon

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO—The images of the two Filipino saints, St. Lorenzo Ruiz and St. Pedro Calungsod, have been mounted on the outer panels of a triptych on a tabernacle at the new altar of the crypt in the Pontificio Collegio Filippino (PCF) in Rome.

The PCF confirmed the rare display through tweets after Wilfredo Layug, a sculptor from Betis in Guagua, Pampanga, installed his works with the help of several priests and overseas Filipino workers on Friday.

The Layug donations consisted of relief murals, a lectern, a table, angels and a cross atop a main retablo (altar piece), all made of wood.

Cebu Archbishop Emeritus Ricardo Cardinal Vidal celebrated Mass at the crypt before its renovation.

Layug said he made what he called the "Filipiniana altar" in honor of the first Filipino cardinal, the late Rufino Cardinal Santos, who proposed in 1958 the establishment of the PCF, the seminary of Filipino diocesan priests studying at pontifical universities in Rome. Santos was a native of Guagua.

Vidal, Manila Archbishop Emeritus Gaudencio Cardinal Rosales, Jaro Archbishop Angel Lagdameo, Manila Archbishop Luis Antonio Tagle, Lingayen-

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PDI wins best business news source award

THE PHILIPPINE Daily Inquirer (PDI) emerged as the "Business News Source of the Year" during the 21st Ejap-Globe Business Journalism Awards held at the Hotel InterContinental in Makati City.

The Inquirer won the distinction after it bagged the most number of awards in various categories during ceremonies on Friday hosted by the Economic Journalists Association of the Philippines Inc. (Ejap), the country's premier organization of business journalists and media practitioners, in cooperation with Globe Telecom Inc.

Ronnel Domingo was named Public Finance Best Reporter of the Year, while Riza Olchondra was named Agriculture Best Reporter of the Year.

Senior business reporter Daxim Lucas took home the Best Feature Story of the Year award for his article, "P-Noy's flagship program still on the drawing board."

Lucas, who holds a degree in management, and Olchondra, who has a degree in communication arts, both graduated from Ateneo de Manila University.

Domingo graduated from the University of the Philippines with a degree in journalism.

The winners from other publications were: Donnabelle Gatdula of Philippine Star for the energy beat; Darwin Amojelar of Manila Times (now with

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Nur to followers: Armed option remains

DAVAO CITY—Moro leader Nur Misuari yesterday told his followers here that armed struggle remained an option for the Moro National Liberation Front to advance the cause of the Bangsamoro people even if the MNLF signed a peace agreement with the government in 1996.

Threat to '96 peace pact

Historic moment

Clan feud behind clash with BIFF, says MILF

Optimism greets peace deal, but not all convinced

Vegetarians healthy in spirit too, meet to show

BKWSU vegetarian is usually thought of as having a healthy lifestyle.

But more than just for health, the vegetarian way as part of a spiritual lifestyle is a subject that the Brahma Kumaris will expound on, especially for men.

To be held from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Oct. 27, the non-government organization, which has a general consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (UN), the UN Children's Fund and the UN Department of Public Information, will discuss the benefits of being a vegetarian as part of a spiritual lifestyle.

A vegetarian lunch will be served after the program which will be on a first come, first served basis. Only 35 participants can be accommodated.

Venue is the BK Makati Center at 7/F Bagtikan Street, San Antonio Village, Makati City.

For details and reservations, call 8907028 or 0927-2890563.

6 Filipino women warriors for land, human rights cited

BAGUIO CITY—Six Filipino women, four of them from the Cordillera, have been recognized by an Asian women's group for defending ancestral land rights and fighting for human rights.

They were among the 100 awardees chosen by the Asian Rural Women's Coalition (ARWC) for the celebration of the 5th International Day of Rural Women this year.

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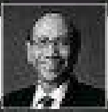
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"By helping these boys, we might think they ought to thank us, but no, we thank them, for they give us opportunity to do good."
- Juan B. Santos
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Ex-presidential peace adviser Abaya was 60

FORMER Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process Annabelle Abaya has passed away after a short battle with cancer, the Inquirer learned only yesterday. Abaya was 60.

Abaya, known as Belle, died in the United States on Aug. 19. The Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (OPAPP) will hold a Mass for Abaya today at 9:30 a.m. Her family is organizing a party in her honor in December.

Abaya is survived by her husband Tony and children Victor, Margaux and Simon.

Abaya served as spokesperson for then President Fidel V. Ramos. She was appointed Presidential Adviser on Peace by then President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo in 2005.

In her stint at OPAPP, Abaya was able to reopen negotiations with the Communist Party of the Philippines/New People's Army and National Democratic Front. For this, she was awarded the Presidential Order of Sikatuna, Rank of Bayani or National Hero.

Abaya founded the Conflict Resolution Group (CoRe), described as a foundation "promoting the use of dialogue to help settle disputes."

Abaya earned her psychology degree at St. Theresa's College. She went on to the Harvard Kennedy School of Government for her master's degree in Public Policy. She earned a second master's degree in Dispute Resolution from the University of Massachusetts Boston, as well as a doctorate in Conflict Resolution from Tufts University's Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. *Nikko Dizon*

Read-Along picks young storytellers

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Australia, PH navies launch exercises

Group wants live interviews back

By Christine O. Avendaño

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Retiring officers prompt military revamp

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Use my version of sin tax bill, Miriam urges peers

By Cathy Yamsuan

'New Senate majority waiting for sign to oust JPE'

By Cathy Yamsuan

House bills filed to benefit college students

Pagasa spots new LPA

UP grad 1st Pinoy head of California university



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NOTICE

In view of the approval by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the decrease in the par value of the shares of stock of Atlas Consolidated Mining and Development Corporation ("Atlas") (the "Decrease") from PhP10.00 per share to PhP8.00 per share (the "New Par Value"), we hereby notify our stockholders as follows:

1. Atlas, through its stock transfer agent, Stock Transfer Service, Inc. (STSI), will be implementing the exchange of outstanding stock certificates representing its shares of stock with updated stock certificates reflecting the New Par Value (the "Exchange") beginning 5 November 2012.

    a. The office of STSI is located at the following address:

        34th Room D, Rufino Pacific Tower,
        6784 Ayala Avenue, Makati City
        (Telephone Number: +63 2 403 2410)

    b. The Exchange will be facilitated by the following STSI personnel:

        Mr. Richard D. Regala (rdregala@stocktransfer.com.ph)
        Mr. Bryan V. Manuel (bvmanuel@stocktransfer.com.ph)

2. To process the Exchange, STSI will request stockholders or their authorized representatives to present the originals of:

    i. the stock certificate/s that will be replaced (the "Existing Certificate/s); and
    ii. at least two (2) valid government-issued identification cards pertaining to the registered owner/s of the shares of stock represented by the Existing Certificate/s.

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CARMEN-ROSE A. BASALLO-ESTAMPADOR
Assistant Corporate Secretary



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PH pilgrims join festive gathering at Vatican

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Filipinos stand out

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Associate Editor Tony Bergonia

Across the NATION

Kin of tribal leader cry 'massacre'

GENERAL SANTOS CITY—The deaths of Dagil Capion's wife and two children from the hands of soldiers on Thursday were so painful that a pangayaw (tribal war) is not remote, the sister of Capion said.

> 'They were unarmed and sleeping. Dagil was not around and nobody from our family's side could have started the fire fight'

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Massacre

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"It was a massacre. They were unarmed and sleeping. Dagil was not around and nobody from our family's side could have started the fire fight," she said.

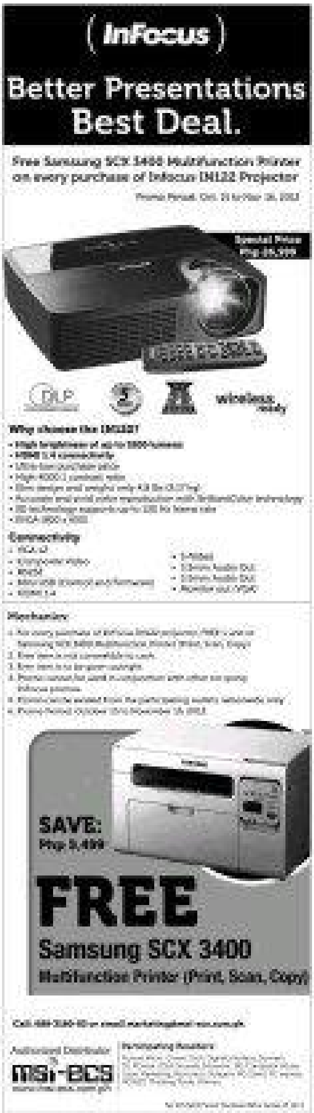
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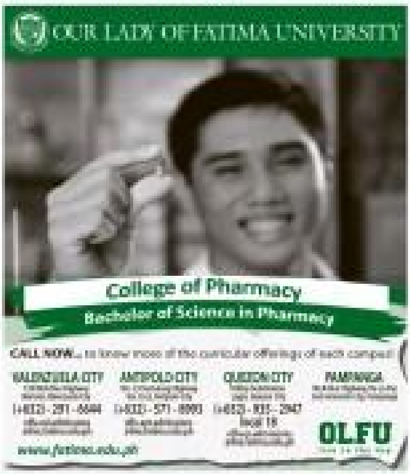


Italian envoy impatient over slow justice for slain priest

Drug case eyed in Laguna cop ambush



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Groups ask Aquino help to save Rizal mother's house

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Redundant, unnecessary party-list system

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With canonization, 'age of saints' seen in PH

By Jocelyn R. Uy



A MATTER OF TOUCH Devotees praise the newly proclaimed saint by touching his image in Cebu City.

Multiplier effect

Servants of God

'May his courage inspire Filipinos'



SOUVENIRS STALL Images of Pedro Calungsod and Mother Marianne Cope are sold at a vendor's stall at the Vatican.

Other new saints

Reviving Christianity

Celebration at home

Scarce details

Pedro's sacrifice told in rap song



A STORY IN RAP Aaron Saavedra leads a rap performance narrating the life of St. Pedro Calungsod at the Sto. Niño de Tondo Parish in Manila.

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Church bells ring out in Visayan martyr's town



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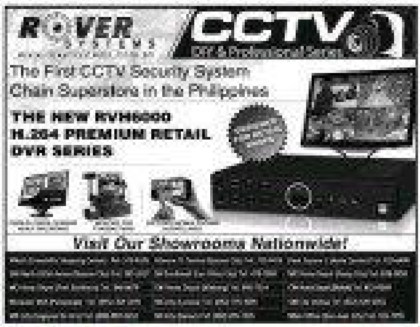


Actor arrested for mauling partner

AN ACTOR and former reality TV show contestant faces charges of violence against women and physical injuries after he reportedly hurt his live-in partner who had just given birth and beat up her brother.

Marc Evans, 35, was arrested by the Pasig City police in his house on Mercedes Avenue in Barangay San Miguel, Pasig City, on Saturday night.

According to the initial investigation conducted by the Pasig City police Women and Children









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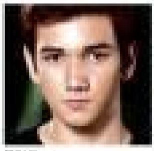


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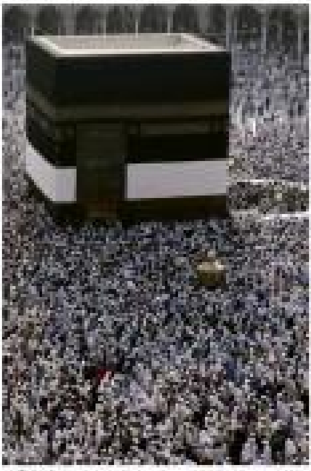
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Twitter gives Saudi a revolution of its own

By Robert F. Worth



US bets' tough talk spurs unease in China

Fatah claims victory in West Bank elections

Freed member fights for jailed bandmates



The WORLD

Iran agrees to nuclear talks with US

WASHINGTON—The United States and Iran have agreed in principle for the first time to one-on-one negotiations over Iran's nuclear program, according to Obama administration officials, setting the stage for what could be a last-ditch diplomatic effort to avert a military strike on Iran.



IRAN'S Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, a possible holdout in the talks.



Russia stages largest missile exercise





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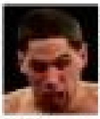
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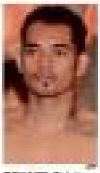




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Korean training for PH wrestlers

Come back strong, Donaire tells Bazooka





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Sev Sarmenta





Champs clash in Pasig Square anniversary derby

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BUSINESS

PH kept in 'gray' list of tax havens

Anti-money laundering body seeks expanded law

A GLOBAL anti-money laundering watchdog has kept the Philippines in a so-called "gray" list of countries being monitored for compliance with internationally accepted standards against harboring tax evaders.

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PH kept in 'gray' list

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so-called compliance document, or "gray" list, signifies that a country is making sufficient progress in the global campaign against money laundering and terrorism, the Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC) explained in a statement.

According to AMLC, avoiding the FATF blacklist was positive news for the Philippines, particularly for overseas workers and the economy. "In financial transactions of countries on the FATF blacklist are subjected to additional reporting requirements and more stringent inspections that delay remittances and raise service fees."

"In some cases, financial institutions stop transactions with countries in the FATF black list," the AMLC said.

Cautious trading seen

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at 2TradeAsia.com, said investors might soften a bit on account of shortened trading weeks toward All Saints' Day. "Some might be prodded to go on short-term trading mode while cashing in on intra-day ascents as the PSEi retests the 5,450 zone, before the lull to buy stocks for 2013," she said.

Immediate support was seen at 5,300 and resistance at 5,470-5,480.

On overseas developments, Nacisvalid said expectations from the US Federal Reserve Open Market Committee (FOMC) meeting on Tuesday might be clouded by preparations and debates with the US elections on Nov. 6. "So far, views are tilted toward the extension of monetary policies, with possible emphasis on details over the reserve bureau's planned bond purchases, as part of their third quantitative easing scheme (QE3). Overall, this might be quickly factored in as attention is trained to the rupe," she said.

Nacisvalid said worries over Spain's required rescue package might still concern investors as EU finance officials arrive at an accord based on acceptable terms. *Doris C. Dumlao*

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Modest winner

BIZ BUZZ
By the staff

BANGKO Sentral ng Pilipinas Governor Amando Tetangco Jr. was one of the busiest officials at the recently concluded World Bank-International Monetary Fund annual meetings in Tokyo, Japan, not only because of several appointments with his foreign peers, but also because of many awards.

We were told that the central bank chief had to rush between two events in one day to receive not just one, but two awards from prestigious international publications. The first, having already been announced two months ago, was his award from Global Finance magazine adjudging him as one of the world's finest central bankers, having received an "A" grade in its annual ranking for fourth year since 2009.

What few people knew was that the BSP chief was also named "Central Bank Governor of the Year for Asia" by Emerging Markets magazine, with the awarding ceremonies also held during the World Bank-IMF meetings.

The publication cited Tetangco's deft management of monetary policy, helping the Philippines dodge the worst effects of the euro zone debt crisis as well as the slowdown of the Chinese economy —making the country's financial system the envy of others in the region.

Due to Tetangco's "well-balanced" monetary policy, the Philippines is enjoying "strong [economic] growth with tame inflation and a current account surplus," Emerging Markets said.

But don't expect Tetangco to go about town bragging about this. The central bank did not even issue a press release about the award. He was too modest to mention it even to his friends, it seems. And since he doesn't have a Facebook or Twitter account, he was not able to broadcast his achievement on social media either. *—Ben O. de Vera*

Rekindling Philstar courtship

WHILE his attempt to take over GMA Network has been aborted, businessman Manuel V. Pangilinan or MVP is not slowing down on the acquisition of media assets. We heard that MVP has rekindled his interest in getting a majority stake in Philippine Star, the country's third biggest broadsheet.

Several reliable sources said the businessman—who had looked at Philstar a few years back but shelved discussions in early 2011—was likely to make a new offer (if he hasn't already done so) to the Belmonte family. One source close to MVP said the group was indeed keen to increase its stake "substantially" from the current minority position. Another source said the businessman was looking at 51-percent control.

Through the PLDT Beneficial Trust Fund's MediaQuest Holdings, MVP's group controls Associated Broadcasting Corp. television network, which runs TV5 and UHF TV network Nation Broadcasting Corp. It also owns a 19-percent stake in the Philippine Daily Inquirer. Meanwhile, [illegible] Holdings also controls Digital [illegible] TV and 50 percent of [illegible] broadsheet BusinessWorld. *—Doris C. Dumlao*

Off to Washington D.C.

IT'S OFFICIAL: National Treasurer Roberto Tan is leaving the role of managing the national coffers—for the next two years, at least—to serve as executive director at the World Bank in Washington D.C.

Tan was officially named to the post during the recent International Monetary Fund-World Bank meetings in Japan. Effective Nov. 1, he will represent a group of eight member countries composed of Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Trinidad & Tobago, Surinam and the Philippines on the board of the multilateral funding agency. Hats off to Bobby Tan, who is very much deserving of the appointment.

Since Tan's two-year absence will create a void, the next question is, who will be the next guardian of the national treasury. The popular theory is that the new treasurer will be a Trade Finance Undersecretary [illegible] de Leon. *—Doris C. Dumlao*

Bouncing back

THE LAST few months have been a difficult time for the mining industry, especially for its flag bearer, Philex Mining Corp., after the latter's two subsidiaries came spill incidents due to what company officials said was force majeure.

However, things are starting to look up for the country's largest mining firm.

According to our sources, the company—still smarting from the criticism it received from environmentalists—was set to build a new spillway at its Padcal mine in Benguet after it successfully plugged the problematic sinkhole in one of its tailings ponds.

This will allow the mine to resume operations once ongoing cleanup operations have been completed.

Of course, in addition to actually fixing the problem at the mine site, Philex also has a gargantuan task of repairing its image with its many stakeholders at the local and national levels.

The company also flatly denied its critics' allegations that it failed to pay benefits and overtime wages to its miners, saying that millions of pesos have already been paid out to employees.

Meanwhile, in another sign that Philex's luck may finally be improving, the company was recently given a "buy" rating (from "hold") by German banking giant Deutsche Bank.

Deutsche is, in fact, predicting that Philex will bounce back with a vengeance in 2014. *—Oscar [illegible]*

Committee report questioned

REMEMBER the fight between businessman Washington Lao and the local unit of Dutch banking giant ING? Well, the Sanchez-based businessman brought his complaint to Congress, which promptly investigated the issue, through its committee on banks and financial institutions headed by Rep. Sergio Apostol.

According to our sources, Apostol's committee has prepared its final report, which found fault with ING Bank's practices. According to Lao, these practices included selling him sophisticated securities (despite what he said was his relative lack of sophistication in this area) that caused him to lose $1 billion at the height of the recent financial crisis.

However, Rep. Luis Villafuerte, the vice chair of the committee, recently wrote Rep. Apostol and the House leadership questioning the committee report. In fact, Villafuerte sounded incredulous when he complained about not having seen the report despite being the vice chair of the committee, that supposedly issued it (without the requisite number of signatories affixed, we're told).

Villafuerte is now demanding that the "unauthorized" committee report "made at the instance of Rep. Apostol" be withdrawn. *—Ben O. [illegible]*

Maybank in BGC

SOME of their Singaporean peers may be profit-taking, but not the Malaysians, who are increasingly drawn to the Philippine growth story. While CIMB is only awaiting the approval of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas of its entry into the Philippine market with the acquisition of a controlling stake in Bank of Commerce, Malayan Banking Bhd cannot wait to expand its local banking franchise, Maybank Philippines.

Reflective of its greater aspiration in the Philippine market, Maybank Philippines will establish its new Philippine corporate headquarters in Bonifacio Global City—moving closer to the hub of top-tier local and multinational corporations. For the longest time, Maybank has operated its head office out of Manila, even while most of its foreign peers are nestled in the Makati or Bonifacio central business districts.

This will all change soon enough, however, as Maybank is relocating to its new BGC home. The five-storey, 3,200-square-meter Maybank Corporate Center along Bonifacio High Street was acquired through a long-term lease contract with the Ayala group.

Maybank Philippines is capitalized at P5.6 billion, with the last equity infusion of $30 million from its parent having been made two years ago. Seeing that the Philippine unit has employed its capital very well since then, the Malaysian parent bank is expected to bring in another "really significant" equity infusion by the first semester of next year. *—Doris C. Dumlao*

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By Amy R. Remo

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October 22, 2012

NOTICE OF FILING OF APPLICATION FOR ALIEN EMPLOYMENT PERMIT (AEP)

Republic of the Philippines
Office of the President
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT COORDINATING COUNCIL

Publication of Contract Award Notice

Description	The Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) obtained a grant from the Cities Alliance through the World Bank to implement the "Developing the National Slum Upgrading Strategy" Project, which was renamed to National Informal Settlements Upgrading Strategy (NISUS). The project has three phases: (a) first phase is the Preparatory Activities being implemented by HUDCC; (b) second phase is the Comprehensive Assessment; and (c) third phase is the Strategy Formulation. The Consultancy Services for developing NISUS will focus on the conduct of its two remaining phases.
Reference	Grant Number: [illegible]
Approved Budget	[illegible]
Selection Method	Quality Based Selection (QBS)
Names of Consultants who submitted proposals	1. JV of Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (Netherlands) (lead firm), and UP PLANADES (Philippines) 2. Halcrow Group Ltd. (United Kingdom) (lead firm), in association with Land Equity International (Australia) and Conwep (Philippines) 3. GHK International (United Kingdom) 4. JV of CPRM Consultants Inc. (Philippines) (lead firm), and Asmeo Social Science Research Center (Philippines) 5. JV of Institute for International Urban Development (U.S.A.) (lead firm), ARUP (Philippines), Homeless People's Federation of the Philippines, Inc. (HPFPI)
Technical Points assigned to each consultant	1. GHK: 84.59 2. Halcrow: 84.36 3. Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies: 76.04 4. CPRM: 56.40
Name of the Winning Consultant	GHK International
Contract Amount	[illegible]
Contract Duration	10 months
Summary Scope of the Contract	The objective is to develop the National Informal Settlements Upgrading Strategy (NISUS) and to guide the national government and local government units (LGUs) in the preparation and implementation of effective policies and programs on Informal Settlements Upgrading.

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"My soul, be at rest in God alone, from whom comes my hope." – Psalm 62:6

Cirilo C. Zamora

died in the Grace of our Lord on October 17, 2012 at the age of 87

His family, beloved wife Stella Zamora and son Ariel Zamora requests the presence of his relatives and friends to mourning from today until October 22, 2012 at Royal Chapel, St. Peter Chapel, Quezon Avenue and during the funeral on October 23, 2012 at 9:00 am.

May Eternal Peace be granted unto his soul.

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Peacefully joined her Creator on October 20, 2012 at the age of 92.

She is survived by her children, Amy, Manolet & Grace, Maria Fe & Lester, Dr. Celso Jun & Malou; grandchildren, Karen Therese & Mark, Quina Grace & Derek, Dino Manolo, Jeanette & Anna Teresa, and Lara Marisol & Celso III; great-grandchildren, Marco and Tristan, Chloe and Diego.

Relatives and friends request the pious readers to pray for the eternal repose of her soul.

Her remains lie at Chapel A & B of Christ the King Chapel, Green Meadows, Quezon City. She will be transferred to Cavinti, Laguna on October 24, 2012 at 8:00 a.m.

Interment will be at San Lorenzo Ruiz Memorial Park, Cavinti, Laguna on October 25, 2012 after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

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BUSINESS

Contractor urges gov't to halt MRT operations

Sumitomo claims existing signaling system 'obsolete'

By Paolo G. Montecillo

THE METRO Rail Transit (MRT) line's previous maintenance contractor has urged the government to consider halting the train line's operations until the existing signaling system for trains is replaced.

Earlier this month, Japanese industrial giant Sumitomo Corp. told MRT General Manager Al Vitangcol III that thousands of passengers face potentially serious injury or even death so long as the trains run using the "obsolete" signaling system.

"Essential spare parts are obsolete for the MAN9000 signaling system, and again, it is regretful that no countermeasures have been implemented until today," Sumitomo said in an Oct. 1 letter to MRT's management.

The MRT's signaling system is responsible for managing traffic on the train system's north and southbound tracks.

The signaling system ensures that trains are evenly spaced and that collisions do not occur.

Sumitomo, through subcontractor TES Philippines, was responsible for the upkeep of the train line for 12 years.

In its letter to the MRT's management, a copy of which was obtained by the Inquirer, Sumitomo said no company has the ability to maintain an old signaling system with no available spare parts.

Salient points of Sumitomo's letter were revealed last week by Pangilinan-led MRT Corp. (MRTC) in a separate open letter.

"No maintenance providers are able to manage such technical risk under existing conditions of the (signaling system) and this is why we have been emphasizing the need for countermeasures," the original letter read.

Sumitomo pushed for the immediate upgrading of the MAN9000.

"As the situation is critical, this signal issue might result in serious operational accidents accompanying injuries, so upgrading of MAN9000 should be executed immediately," the company said.

Apart from problems with the signaling system, Sumitomo said passenger overloading and the shortage of spare parts for the existing fare collection system were the main concerns for the MRT.

Over 540,000 people use the MRT, which runs through Epifanio de los Santos Avenue (Edsa) from Taft Avenue, Pasay to North Avenue, Quezon City during weekdays.

This is significantly higher than the designed capacity of just 350,000 passengers daily.

To prevent breakdowns that are usually caused by the weight of trains filled with passengers in the lines, Sumitomo suggested the replacement of electric motors on train cars with newer equipment that were less prone to failure.

"We cannot deny the possibility of disastrous accidents happening in the operation of MRT," Sumitomo said. "Considering the lead time needed to complete these countermeasures, no more delay in starting actions should be allowed," it added.

Last week, PH Trams-CB&T JV, the same company that maintains the older Light Rail Transit (LRT) line 1, was appointed to replace Sumitomo, whose contract with the government expired Friday.

PH Trams, however, was just chosen for an interim period of six months, time to be used by the government or the MRT's concession holder MRTC to find a new company to handle maintenance for the long term.

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Manila FAME raises artisan's craft to art

Creativity and ingenuity have always been a part of the Filipino culture. This was highlighted recently at Manila FAME, Asia's foremost lifestyle event at the SMX Convention Center, where the unique talents of the Filipino craftsmen, top Philippine creative professionals, and home-grown brands of the country's leading names in the design industry was brought again to spotlight.

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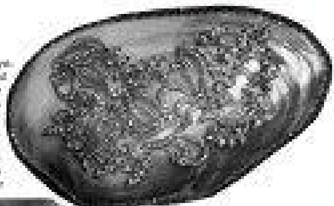
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Filipino craftsmanship to be showcased in *Ambiente,* Europe's largest lifestyle fair



By Joel Y. Pilgas



TODAY'S global business environment is highly competitive, and products are best sold in the international market if they are seen in the right major trade fairs here and abroad. This was emphasized by Nicolette Naumann, vice president for Ambiente Tendence Fair, during the "Europe to Asia, Asia to Europe" press conference held on the first day of Manila FAME at the SMX Convention Center last Oct. 17.

Naumann shared valuable insights on market outlook, design trends and business opportunities in the housewares and gifts sector. Expressing support to existing and would-be exhibitors, she encouraged them to showcase their products in Germany's leading lifestyle trade show which will be held at the Messe Frankfurt Fair ground in Germany on Feb. 15 to 19, 2013.

"The Philippines is very strong in gift and decorative items, jewelry, accessories and in niche products that are of high quality and that command a higher price. Filipino designs are traditional, modern and something unique. Asian products are also connected to well-being which the Europeans and the Americans are keen at," Naumann emphasized.



During last year's staging of Ambiente, 34 exhibitors from the Philippines participated. It also attracted 122 visitors from the country. Naumann is expecting that exhibitors and participants would exceed the number of participants next year.

Rosvi Gaetos, executive director of the Center for International Trade Expositions and Missions (CITEM), for her part said that the Philippines is now looking at Europe as "our platform to promote our products and our craftsmanship in the European community."

"The time to showcase our products in Europe has come," she said.

Ambiente is Germany's largest trade fair organizer with over 100 trade shows around the world. More than half of these shows take place outside Germany in 30 countries covering sectors such as automotive parts, furniture and furnishing, gifts and housewares, home and contract textiles, consumer goods and many more. The fair boasts of 578,000 sq. m. exhibition space and visitor turnouts averaging to a high of 140,000. According to statistics, the five-day event for furniture, housewares and gifts houses one of the world's largest turnouts of over 4,500 exhibitors.

Providing full service to these exhibitors is Worldwide Exhibition Linkage Services (WE-Link), the official sales and marketing partner of Messe Frankfurt in the Philippines.

"WE-Link is working with some of the biggest trade show organizers in the world with services that include space coordination, shipment assistance and support in visa applications, preparation of marketing collaterals, booth design and production, hotel accommodations, and many more.

"WE-Link is here to build Brand Philippines all over the world by bringing the Philippines to major trade fairs through pavilion settings that will showcase Filipino talent through products that combine quality, form and functionality," said Wilbert Nevero, general manager of WE-Link.

"Aside from inviting exporters to showcase their products for maximum exposure, we also explore business opportunities for them all over the world through trade visit missions. This makes it a one-stop-shop for Filipino businessmen and their link to other parts of the world in the trade fair and industry conferences," Nevero added.

As the official sales partner of Messe Frankfurt, WE-Link will represent selected world-class trade fairs for the automotive parts, building and construction, fashion and fashion accessories, home and contract textiles, furniture and furnishings, and gifts and housewares all over the world. For inquiries, call 750-8383 or 887-1304 or e-mail wilbert.nevero@yahoo.com.





F1 Hotel Celebrates Halloween with a Healthy Beat!

THIS October 27, 2012, F1 Hotel Best Western Premier gives a different Halloween experience to kids as it celebrates the trick or treat event with a touch of Zumba.

Entitled "Zumba & Zombie Halloween", kids will get a chance to engage themselves with today's trending dance for the young ones, the Zumbatomic. It is a dance specially designed for children (ages 4 - 12) to encourage kids to develop a healthy lifestyle and to incorporate fitness as a natural part of their lives through dance, music and exercise.

"The integration of Zumba in Halloween is something unique. The reason why we decided to push through with this is because we want to introduce the younger generation a healthy way to celebrate which at the same time not boring at all. It is simply like indulging to all those sweets and burning some of those calories afterwards," says Mr. Rafly Chico, F1 Hotel's Corporate General Manager.

"Breezing Point Dance Studio is our partner in this event and they are very credible to the Zumba community in the country so we are confident that they can execute one superb party for the kids," Mr. Chico added.

Aside from Zumbatomic session, the Halloween program also includes a pumpkin carving and ghost cupcake making where the kids will be joined by F1 Hotel's chefs. These activities would allow the kids to decorate their own pumpkin and cupcakes which they can bring home afterwards.

Kids are encouraged to come in their scariest zombie outfits as F1 Hotel will be awarding gift certificates to kids girl who have the best costume. For those kids who want to appear more fancy and magical, F1 Hotel will be providing a face painting booth which kids can enjoy all throughout the event. Since everybody is in their scary costumes, it is always best to have a souvenir pictures so don't forget to visit the spooky photo booth which is always available from beginning to end.

Games and the traditional trick or treat will also be held so make sure to ready your candy bags as there will be a lot of yummy goodies from F1 Hotel's sponsors namely Magnolia Chocolait, Choco Magic, Purefoods Fun Nuggets, Magnolia Ice Cream and Jellyace.

Tickets are available at P999 for kids ages 2 - 11 and P999 for the adults. Both ticket prices are included with a buffet lunch which is also served at the Titanium Function Room where the whole party will take place.

Families who wish to stay in F1 Hotel's chick rooms, you can avail the "Wicked Room Rate" from October 10 - 17, 2012 for P6,300 inclusive of an overnight stay in a Deluxe room, buffet breakfast for 2 persons, use of pools and other hotel amenities, free wi-fi, and 1 Zumba & Zombie ticket (kid).

For reservations you may call 908-8600 loc 6465 and just come twirl in your Halloween celebration.

F1 Hotel Best Western Premier is located at 32nd street, Bonifacio Global City. For more information, call 908-8600/908-7888 or visit www.f1hotelmanila.com. Like us on Facebook: facebook.com/F1hotel and follow us on Twitter @F1hotel.

Maybank enhances product offering as it launches Maybank Credit Card

By Joel Y. Pilgas
Photo by Eugene Araneta



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Ronald Magnaye: Player, Coach, Babolat ambassador for badminton products

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Varsity sons

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Ronald Magnaye:

Player, Coach, **Babolat ambassador** for badminton products

By Joel Y. Nigos

MORE than knowing the fundamentals of the sport, which is essential for one to excel as a badminton player, Babolat ambassador for badminton products Coach Ronald Magnaye says that it is also important for one to possess the right values, the right attitude to be successful in the sport.

A member of the national badminton team for some time and now coaches two of the country's top varsity teams, he adds that one should possess the right attitude and among the values one should have are discipline, focus and perseverance. These, he says, have guided him throughout his stint as a badminton player and these are same values which he imparts now to his badminton students.

"Discipline is No. 1 because discipline allows you to deal with other issues involved in the sport and in your life as well," he says. "When you train as a player you should learn time management. That's discipline. You should balance your time for your studies and for learning the sport and that's discipline."

He says that the adage, he quips, no glory is indeed right. "In our country, your studies are still the top priority even when you are a varsity player.

"Schools require you to finish your studies at the same time excel in the sport that you have chosen. It's difficult to divide your time between the two, you really have to sacrifice a lot," he says.

Coach Ronald also says that one should have perseverance and focus. "You should not easily give up when you find training in the sport difficult. If you want to learn, your focus should be on to learn."

"Not everybody can be a national player or a coach after his stint as a varsity player. He should have a fall back that's why the education is of paramount importance," he adds.

Coach Ronald also says that involving oneself and excelling in a sport comes also with added benefits.

"I used to be shy before I became a varsity player. Playing badminton developed my confidence. I learned how to deal with people from various backgrounds, from different nationalities and from all walks of life. It has also broadened my horizon."

He emphasizes that these are things that are already part of his personality and can no longer be taken from him for the rest of his life.

Varsity coach

Coach Ronald is currently the head coach of the Adamson University varsity badminton team, a position he has held for three years now. He also coaches the varsity team of La Salle Antipolo, in which the women's team was the champion in WNCAA in 2011. He was also tournament director of the Mizuno Badminton Tournament in 2008, 2009 and 2010.

His Manila Water team, which he coaches since 2006 and which played in the Ayala Cup, the badminton tournament of the Ayala Group of Companies, is a four-time champion.

He was also head coach of the Philippine badminton team who participated in the 25th Southeast Asian Games in 2009.

During off-season of the UAAP, like during summer and after the badminton competitions which usually ends in September, Coach Ronald conducts his training camps in Cagayan de Oro City, which he says is part of the personal mission to bring the sport to the grassroots level.

"I started playing badminton when I was nine years old when the sport was not as popular as it is now and when it was only played in military camps or clubs of posh subdivisions," Coach Ronald shares. "You can't see commercial playing courts back then where you can easily come and play badminton."

Coach Ronald had his formal badminton training when he was 10 years old at Camp Crame.

"I was still in high school then studying at Ramon Magsaysay (Cubao) High School," he shares. When he entered college, he became a varsity player of the Polytechnic University of the Philippines. In 1988, he was already part of the country's junior team. He became a member of the national team two years later.

"Early in my career, I played singles but my coach encouraged me to play doubles. I played mixed doubles for some time but in men's doubles was where I excelled much. We were the No. 1 doubles team for three years," he recalls.

Babolat ambassador

As ambassador of Babolat badminton products, we envision the development of the sport in the grassroots level.

Babolat is a French tennis, badminton and squash equipment company, best known for its strings and tennis racquets which are used by several top players including Rafael Nadal, Kim Clijsters, Andy Roddick, Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, among others.

The company has made strings since 1875, when Pierre Babolat created the first strings made of natural gut. Babolat continued to focus on strings until 1994 when it became a "total tennis" company, or when Babolat began producing racquet frames and selling them in Europe. It then moved on to Japan and then to the United States in 2000.



RONALD Magnaye

Trademarked by the easily identifiable double lines across the strings of the racquet face and along the racquet frame itself, Babolat produces multiple series of tennis racquet models.

The "Aero" series includes the Babolat AeroPro Drive, a black racquet with yellow stripes which is used by Rafael Nadal, Jo-Wilfried Tsonga and Francesca Schiavone. The "Pure Drive" series (blue racquet) is a series that includes the Pure Drive Team (used by Kim Clijsters and Carlos Moya), and the Pure Drive Team Plus. Recently released series include the Pure Drive Roddick, the stylo version used by Andy Roddick.

At the 2009 Australian Open, Babolat was the most popular brand of racquet used by participants, eclipsing even the traditional market leaders.

In the Philippines, Babolat products include badminton racquets, shoes, apparels and other accessories.

Personal mission

Coach Ronald says he has been doing it in his personal capacity for several years but with Babolat now supporting his vision, he says he'll be able to reach out to more people who are interested in badminton and to far-flung places of the country.

"Back in 1996, the Philippine Badminton Association had the program of developing the sport in the countryside and I was part of that mission," Coach Ronald recalls. "We were travelling the whole archipelago then teaching both the players and the teachers or the coaches."

"Soon enough, the sports boomed a few years later. Badminton gained popularity and began to be played by more people as facilities also began to be available," he says.

Since then, Coach Ronald says, developing the sport in the countryside has become his personal mission.

"That's why now I conduct regular clinics in Cagayan de Oro City and in other places. I see the potential of people there to excel in the sport with their passion and with their abilities," he says.

Coach Ronald adds: "What I want to give to them is the same opportunity that is provided to players who are based in cities like Metro Manila. Giving the same access to the sport to people from all over the country would make more people to excel in the sport and more people to compete for the country."

Coach Ronald says that the training he's doing is not only focused on players but to other stakeholders of the sport as well.

"We do overall training, not only the fundamentals of the sport for the players but for officials as well like in officiating, tournament management and coaching," he says. "I believe badminton training should not be focused on the players alone because tournaments, whether local or international are need officials as well."

He notes that during the 2012 London Games, our country has sent six female umpires to officiate in the badminton games.

Coach Ronald has conducted badminton clinics in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao including in the cities of Tuguegarao, Naga, Cabanatuan and Bay, among in northern and central Luzon, Sorsogon, Batangas and Naga in southern Luzon, Bacolod, Iloilo, Dumaguete and Cebu in the Visayas, and in Ca-

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Hope for heritage: Quiapo resident renovates Hidalgo house into art gallery

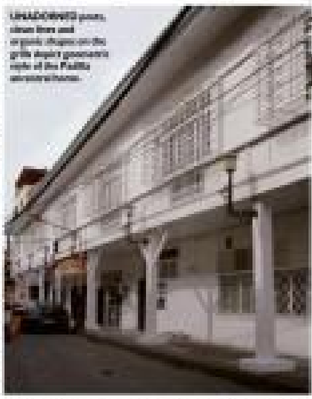
By Margo C. Enriquez
Contributor

ONCE MAJESTIC, the ancestral houses in Quiapo have fallen to urban decay. The affluent families have moved to Makati, leaving the old residences in disrepair and often rented out to lower-income families.

Amid the squalor, the white-washed façade of the Padilla residence stands out. Decked with vintage wrought-iron lamps, it glistens with romance at night, giving hope to a decaying district.

Real-estate broker/artist Manuel Padilla renovated the ancestral home on Hidalgo Street into a gallery and retail space. His dream is to revive Quiapo and turn it into a tourist destination similar to the white-stone-house districts in Singapore or Seville.

When Padilla inherited the ancestral home from his father, he invested heavily in changing the roofs, salvaging the narra flooring, and transferring them to the façade, and changing capiz windows to antique textured glass mosaic.



UNADORNED posts, clean lines and organic shapes on the grills depict geometric style of the Padilla ancestral home.

"The house was built in 1880 and was restored twice," he said. "I inherited it from my brother, Augusto. It was like Humpty Dumpty who fell from the wall."

Fond memories

The second floor is being transformed into Padilla's studio and art gallery for students and artists who have no access to galleries. To keep the house alive, the first floor is rented out to shops such as La Perla Bakery, which was founded in 1904.

He maintained the black-and-white tiled floors on the ground floor, the narra doors, wainscoting, the narrow staircase with its turned balusters and Art Deco window grills. Everything else has been streamlined for easy maintenance.

Padilla has fond memories of Quiapo. He would watch the throng of devotees in the Black Nazarene procession from the capiz windows of his ancestral home and play at the neighboring pagoda house built by a scientist, Carlos [illegible].

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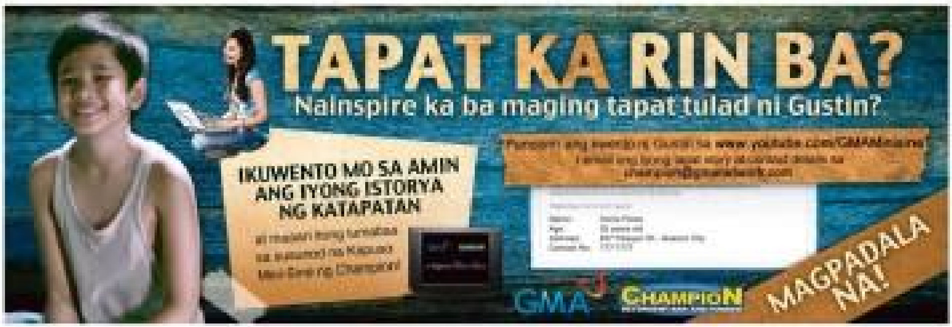
THE HOUSE was restored in the early 20th century with Art Deco grills while retaining the ventanilla.



ORNATE vintage lamps adorn the façade.









Cebu's Pink House transforms into French cultural center





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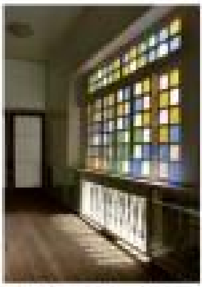
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Perfect fit

Soul of the house

Hope for heritage: Quiapo resident renovates Hidalgo house . . .

Painting lessons







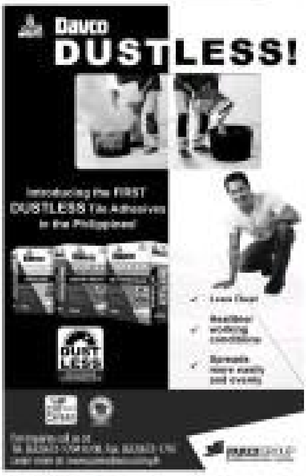


Bulacan to host Dayaw 2012, festival of indigenous cultures





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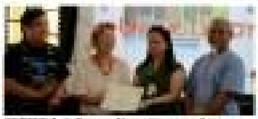






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Unang Daloy pays tribute to the arts of Central Luzon





INTERACTIVE painting



"BISINA," by Mark Villanueva

Virtual presence

Rich heritage

Guests, beneficiaries





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After 26 years, 'Carmen' returns to Philippine stage, under renowned director Laurice Guillen



LAURICE Guillen

By Pablo A. Tariman
Contributor

Remembering the country's first world-class Bizet heroine—Conchita Gaston

THE COUNTRY will get to see its latest Bizet heroines—Camille Lopez Molina and Ana Feleo—when the Lyric Opera of the Philippines stages "Carmen" at St. Cecilia's Hall of the St. Scholastica's College this weekend (Oct. 26-28), under the direction of acclaimed director Laurice Guillen.

With the Manila Symphony Orchestra at the helm, the latest production of "Carmen" comes after 26 years. The Bizet opera was last staged in 1986 at the Cultural Center of the Philippines with the Carmen of American soprano [illegible] and [illegible] Filipino singer [illegible]. It [illegible] of Filipino tenor [illegible].

The latest production will see the "Flower" aria being interpreted by tenors [illegible] and [illegible].

The new opera company [illegible] it will try to revive the Golden Age of opera in the country.

That Golden Age saw Silay City-born mezzo soprano Conchita Gaston singing the Bizet opera at the New York City Opera in December of 1950, the first Filipino to sing the role.

A year after her 1950 recital at the Town Hall in New York, Gaston met the then very young

AFTER D2





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CONCHITA Gaston as Carmen, as painted by Eugene Spiro

Stravinsky oratorio

Singer and actress

Requiem for Marilou Diaz-Abaya

By Pablo A. Tariman



MARILOU Diaz-Abaya clowning around

She was a staunch supporter of classical music





Favorite opera

Parting words

From Luzon to Mindanao: A harvest of plays in National Theater Festival



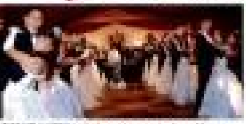


FESTIVAL heads and their actors





FORTUNE Ledesma and the officers of Johann Strauss Society



DEBUTANTES ball where the couples learn Viennese dances.

Johann Strauss Society mounts Opera Ball Oct. 25

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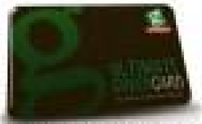
VIENNESE conductor Ernest Hoetzl and the Manila Symphony Orchestra at Makati Shangri-La.

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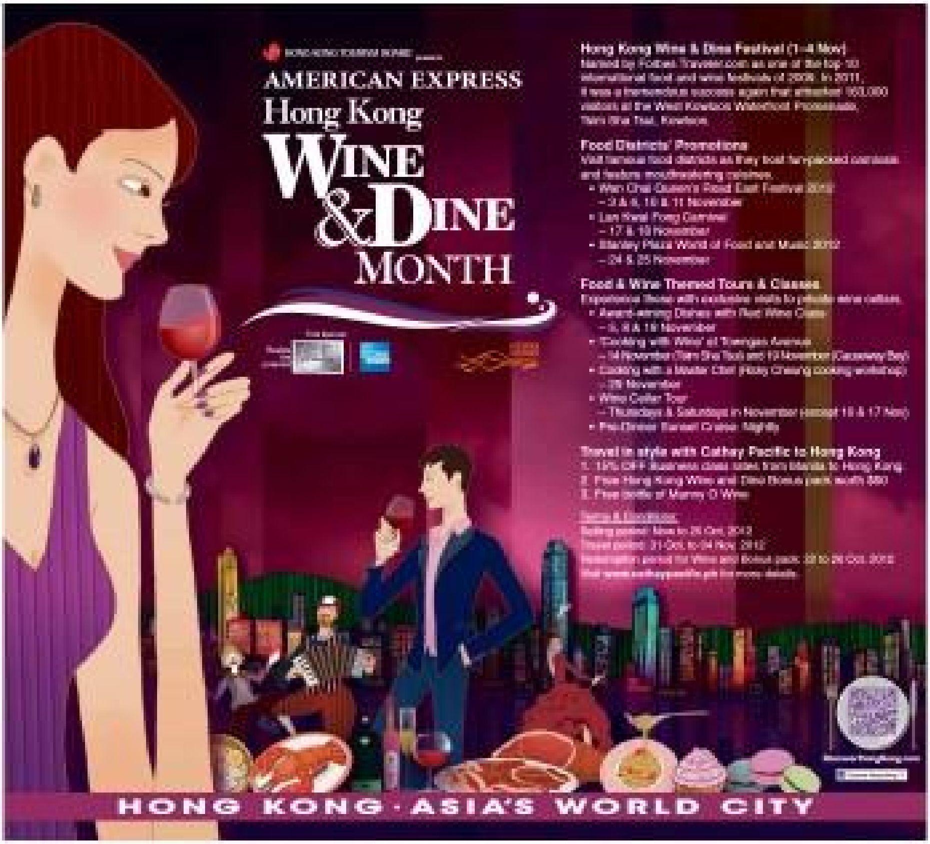
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Ballet Philippines to stage 'Rama, Hari,' featuring ABS-CBN stars



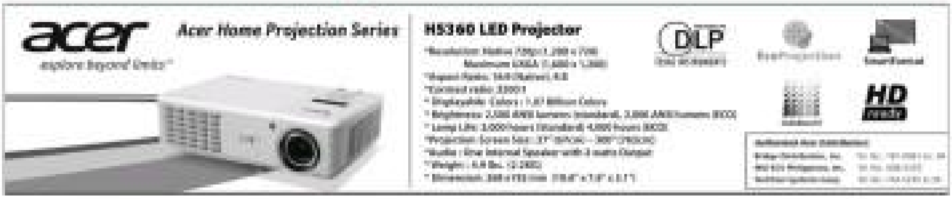


'Bagong Harana' returns to the stage





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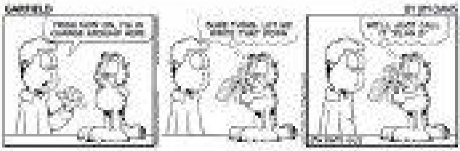








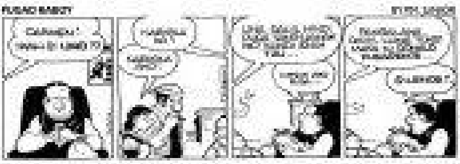
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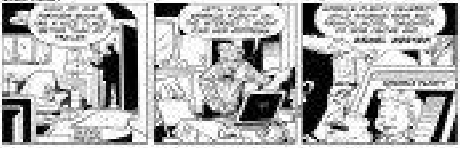
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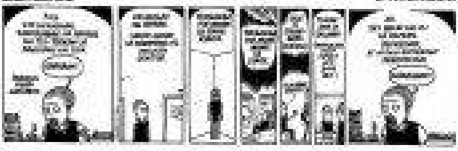
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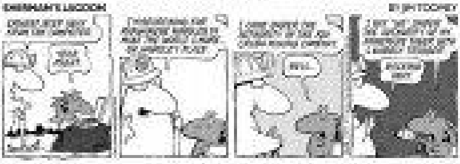




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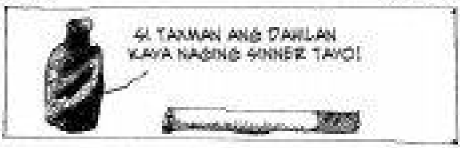


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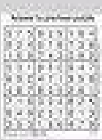


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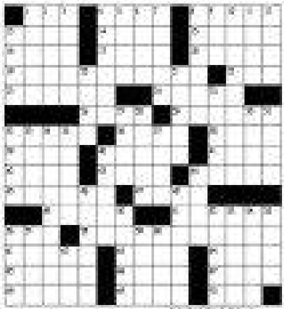
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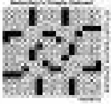
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE





PEN to launch book on the history of the galleon trade



Bambi Harper debuts as fictionist with a historical novel



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Option for governance

Source of conflict

UST Varsitarian opens national campus press conference today; Pimentel to discuss Bangsamoro accord

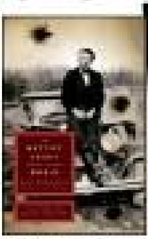
FROM BOOK TO FILM

'Lawless,' an epic gangster movie

By Jay Bonasian

Contributor

Nothing but trouble







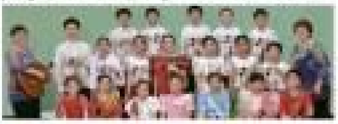
ACTOR Shia LaBeouf in scenes from the movie. At left, cover of the 2008 bestseller

Rhapsodic reviews

Artist and graphic novelist Kent Williams to do book-signing at Fully Booked



Learning Tree Angklung Ensemble to perform in Indonesia



LEARNING Tree Angklung Ensemble

Sandra Luna Fowler plays with light and shadow in first exhibit

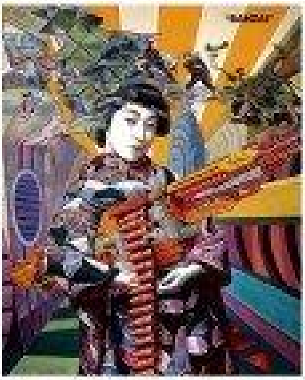




Vincent de Pio's memoirs of a geisha

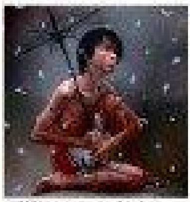






'Love and War' at 371



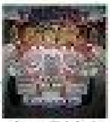


TUESDAY GROUP HOLDS EXHIBIT IN INTRAMUROS



Oktoberfest modern and contemporary art fest held at Power Plant Mall





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Editor Emmie G. Velarde

HEARD

Charice's voice after surgery

After undergoing throat surgery in the United States, singer-actress Charice Pempengco says her voice is back in top form. To challenge herself, she joined the cast of the stage musical "Glee." "I used to sleep [illegible] because I couldn't hit high notes. Now I can sing again. And the best part, when I order fast-food delivery on the phone, the person I'm talking to no longer calls me Sir."

Bayani San Diego Jr.



ER EJERCITO as Emilio Aguinaldo

Visiting 'El Presidente'

VISITING the set of "El Presidente" at Las Casas Filipinas de Acuzar in Bagac, Bataan, transported me back to the Spanish era. Lead star ER Ejercito was in character (as Emilio Aguinaldo) when I chatted with him. "This film is grander in scale than 'Asiong Salonga'—with a bigger budget, too," he said, beaming.

"It's a roaring saga," he added. "We have the finest actors—Cesar Montano, Nora and Ronnie Quizon, Baron Geisler ... With the help of historians, we got the facts straight, making our story accurate and interesting."

Isn't ER wary that the public would think the film boring since it's about history? "What matters to us is that we deliver the message about real heroes," he said. "Doing well at the box office is only secondary."

Is he pressured to bag another best actor award?

"The recognition I got for my role as Asiong Salonga is more than enough," he quipped. "But if I get lucky again this time around as Aguinaldo, that would be such a blessing."

Victory would definitely be sweeter the second time around.

DOLLY WOOD



Dolly Anne Carvajal

Loving Becky

The cast and crew of "This Guy's in Love with You Mare!" held a thanksgiving party at ABS-CBN's [illegible] restaurant for the success of their film.

Asked if he was willing to work with a director other than Wenn Deramas, the film's star, Vice Ganda, said: "We are comfy with each other. We jell so well. It would be hard to work with a director who's not familiar with my style."

Basta, Vice! The audience is in love with you, Becky! You've shown that success knows no gender.

Jazz night

What an awesome night of music it was at [illegible] when jazz legends Eric Marienthal and Jeff Lorber, were the guest artists. They wowed the crowd with their music wizardry.

Prior to their set, Chad Borja performed. He impressed even the foreign guests around. After his triumph over the Big C, Chad is back in the groove.

"I'm working on an album," he beamed. "And I have a great idea to have [illegible] with artists who are [illegible] like me. The likes of Joey Albert, Zsa Zsa Padilla and more."

Marienthal and Lorber thanked the audience profusely. "In other countries, we just go from the hotel to our gig. But in Manila, we are overwhelmed with the

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Jasmine Curtis comes out of her sister's shadow



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ENTERTAINMENT

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Time as a test of talent



THE ZOMBIES rock the Philippine International Convention Center's Plenary Hall.

FOUR recent concerts by foreign artists demonstrated that it takes a lot of discipline to nurture and sustain talent.

Real talent, for that matter, won't wither with age, but may even shine more dazzlingly.

The Zombies

Oct. 19, PICC

For this latest visit, by-century British band The Zombies whipped up a play list that was "exclusively for the Philippines." This meant more overtly romantic numbers that showcased charismatic vocalist Colin Blunstone's singing, descriptions of which have gone "beyond superlatives and right to the realm of "ethereal" and "otherworldly."

It worked, for a little under two hours, original Zombies Blunstone and keyboardist Rod Argent—working with guitarist Tom Toomey, bassist Jim Rodford and his son Steve on drums—kept enthralled a mostly (way) past middle age crowd at the PICC. (The band is celebrating its 50th anniversary.)

It was clear from the get-go that the audience had a soft spot for this group.

Argent never let up as the mad genius at the keyboards—right up front where he could eyeball fans in the first few rows, sharply contrasting with the quietly smiling Blunstone.

Sentimental favorites like "The Way I Feel Inside," "Make Away" and "Summer-

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DID YOU KNOW...



TOM HANKS

"So sorry!"

NEW YORK—Tom Hanks apologized after he let slip a swear word on "Good Morning America."

Anchor Elisabeth Vargas asked him Friday to speak in the British accent of his character in "Cloud Atlas." Hanks said it was "mostly swear words," but Vargas told him to go ahead anyway.

He spoke for a moment but the obscenity was audible. Vargas said, "We are so sorry, America." Hanks also apologized and said he'd take a seven-second delay next time. *AP*

Ruffa and her phantom lover











'Hady' new TV format clicks with viewers



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Time as a test of talent





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It's more fun in the Philippines with Jollibee





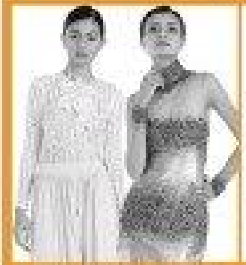




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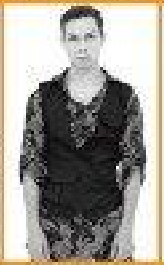
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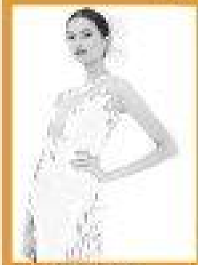
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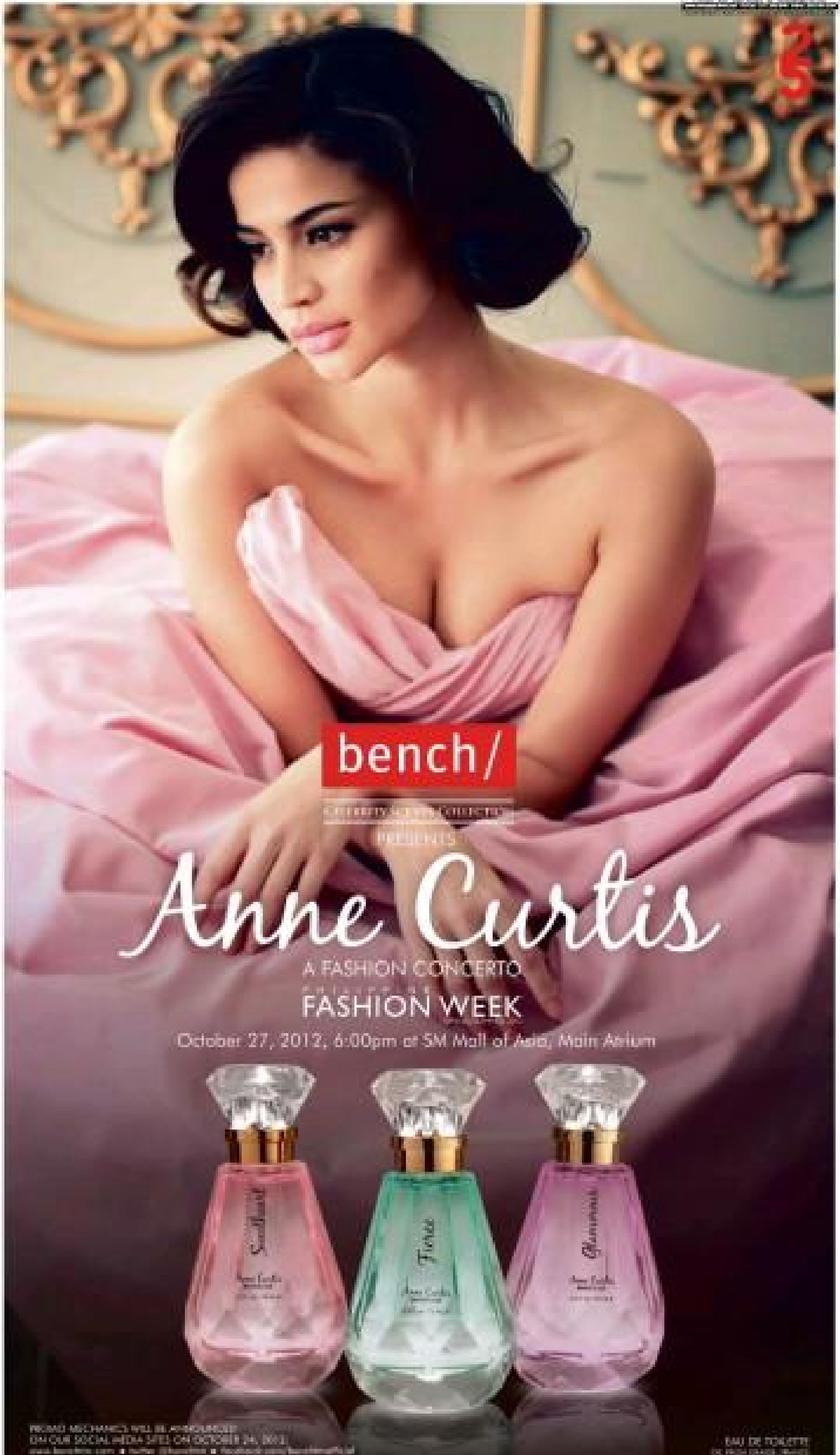
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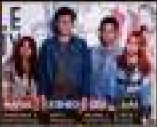




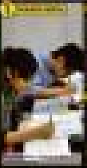




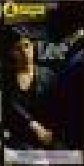




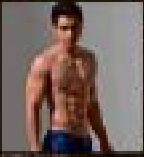


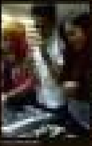




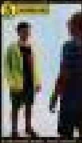













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